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BARTLETT ISSUES ORDER

Hundreds of Washingtonians
Hit by Drastic Requirement—Better Service
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No mail box—no mail.
That is the edict that went forth from the Post Office Department today as the first step to enforce the installation of mail boxes or receptacles at residences.

Such homes as do not provide receptacles will not have mail delivered to them, it was announced. For the present the order will be enforced against new homes, which, if not so equipped, will be refused carrier service.

Washingtonians by the hundreds who have moved into newly built houses will have to provide mail boxes on their front porches or go without delivery.

Bartlett Explains Rule.

"Carrier delivery should not be extended to any new dwellings erected in your city not equipped with a suitable receptacle," First Assistant Postmaster General Bartlett declared in an order issued today to postmasters throughout the country.

"When a patron changes his residence also he will be required to provide a receptacle at his new address before being accorded delivery service," Gov. Bartlett continued. He urged postmasters to make every effort to induce citizens to install mail receptacles at their front doors, so that city carriers would not have to stop and ring doorbells or wait for maids to answer the doors.

Absence of the home mail boxes not only tends to inconvenience the patrons, the first assistant declared, but is directly responsible for inferior service through delaying the carrier in making the rounds of his route.

Urges Patrons To Help.

"We have never enforced the home mail box proposition, but the time has come when we have to make a move in that direction," Mr. Bartlett said. "The postal service is intensely co-operative, the patrons have their part to play, and this is one thing they can do to help us help them."

Gov. Bartlett stated that in case there were twelve new homes in a row, and ten of the householders had mail receptacles installed at their front doors, and two of them did not, the obedient ten will get their mail, but the disobedient two will have the letter carrier pass them by.

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PRIVATE MAIL BOX IS AID TO CARRIER

Apartment dwellers may get real mail delivery at last.

First Assistant Postmaster General Bartlett said today that if everybody in Washington would install mail boxes at front doors, he thought the department would be able to deliver mail to each individual apartment as a result of the time saved by carriers.

This is one of the first developments from the "No box-no mail" order issued by Gov. Bartlett yesterday, in which postmasters were instructed to deliver no mail to new dwellings without boxes.

At present the Washington city post office does not accord individual delivery to those who live in apartments, carriers merely placing letters in the mail boxes in the first floor entrance hall.

Postmaster Chance, for several years, has been trying to induce the Post Office Department to grant him additional carriers, so that delivery of mail may be made to each apartment, from floor to floor.

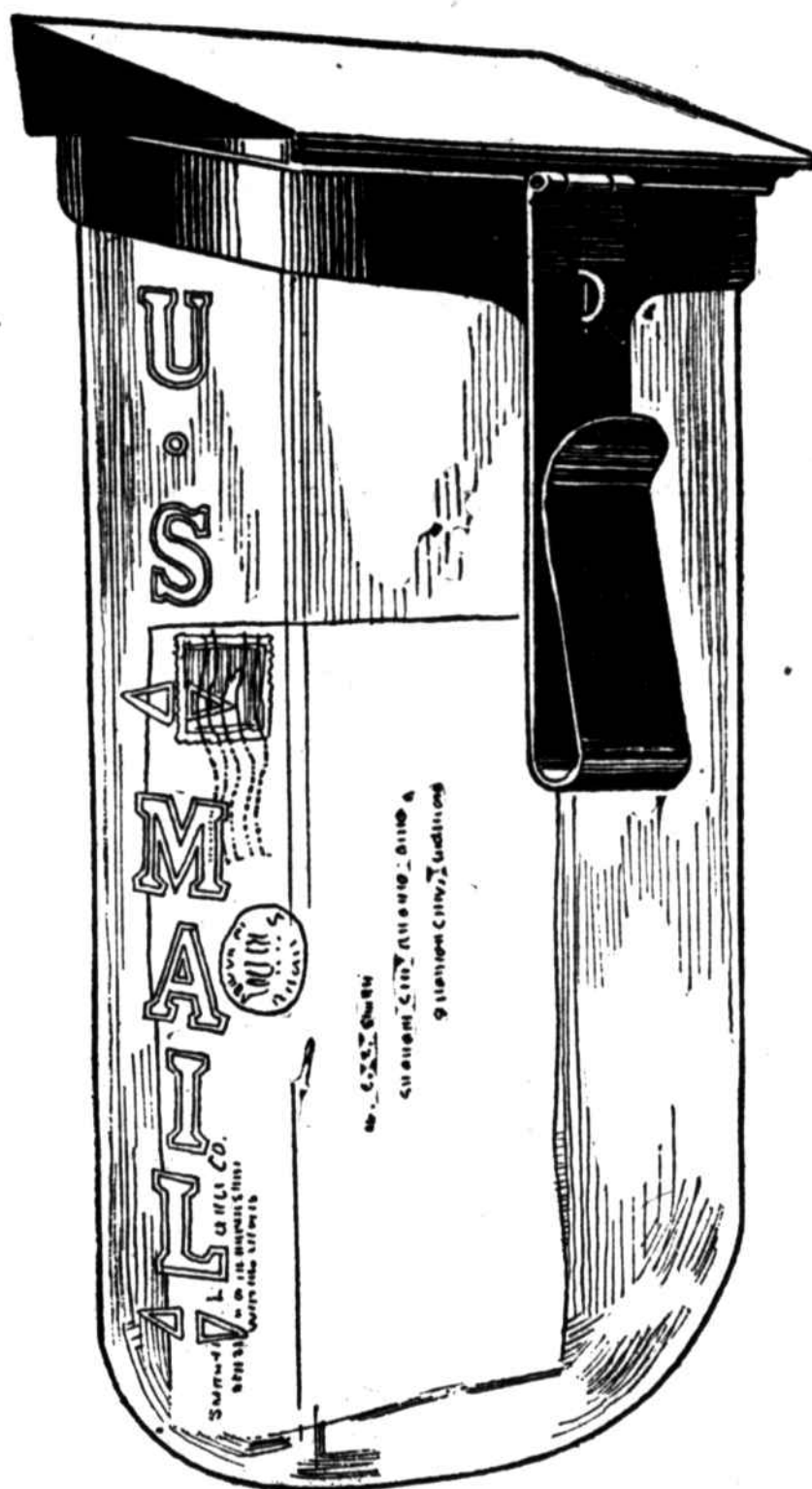
The speeding up of the mails, which would accrue if every householder in Washington, in old or new houses, had a mail box at his front door, would enable the department, Gov. Bartlett believes, to afford the door-to-door delivery of mail in apartments, without any additional cost to the postal service, perhaps.

Installation of boxes at all front doors, or slots cut in the doors, so that mailmen may drop letters into the house, would be of great benefit to the householders, Gov. Bartlett pointed out today.

One of the biggest gains to the home, he said, in addition to the early delivery which everybody would get each day, would lie in the service which the postmen would render households in mailing letters.

Just put your letters to be mailed in your home mailbox, it was pointed out, and the carrier, on his trips, would collect the mail from the boxes as he delivered. Thus, were an entire city completely equipped with home mail boxes, street mail boxes might become unnecessary.

The best opinion at the Post Office Department today was that the order of "no box-no mail" is entirely legal, the department not being under compulsion to deliver mail except when its rules and regulations are complied with.



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